**AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
**September 12, 2024 - ACTION MINUTES**

These action minutes are intended to provide the reader with an overview of the committee meeting and actions made during the meeting.

For detailed information on this meeting, please refer to the meeting recording and located on the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee webpage or contact Sasha Vrtunski, staff liaison, with any questions (svrtunski@ashevillenc.gov)

**Links: Agenda and Materials**

**Present**: Andy Barnette (Chair), David Bartholomew, Jane Christen, Chris Day, Paul Heathman, Tara Irby, Stuart Zitin

**Quorum: Yes**
**Absent**: Brian Methvin (Vice Chair), Scott Adams, Rita Lee, Babs Phillip, Alvarez Abernathy, Nnweyna Smith, Antoinette Mosley (Council Liaison)
**Staff:** Nikki Reid, Sasha Vrtunski, Alex Ruiz, James Shelton

Meeting starts: 9:33 a.m.
Meeting end: 11:57 a.m.

| AGENDA ITEM | ACTION |
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| **Call to Order**<br>**Roll Call**<br>**Approval of Minutes** | CALL TO ORDER by Chair, Andy Barnette<br>ROLL CALL<br>APPROVAL OF MINUTES<br>● Motion: to approve the 8/1/2024 minutes with amendment stating that Stuart Zitin was present<br>● Motion made by: David Bartholomew<br>● Motion 2nd by: Jane Christen<br>● Vote: Approved, Unanimous |
| **Presentation & Discussion**<br><br>Begins at 2:43 | **No motions made, discussion only.**<br><br>● Traci Thompson, Housing Planner, presented on the Land of Sky Regional Council Affordable Housing Program, opening with outline of goals and strategies for the year's Housing Strategic Plan<br>● Nicole Samuel of Land of Sky demonstrated the Housing Asset Inventory Tool, encompassing the 15 counties under jurisdiction, and layers of information including transmission lines, water/sewer, and flood zones among other data useful for development.<br>● Traci concluded the presentation. Chris Day asked about access, and Ms. Thompson confirmed it was available to local governments who share it with developers as they see fit. |

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| | Updates and Reports<br>● Nikki Reid introduced new Community Development Manager James Shelton, and reminded members of the CD Dept's partnership with Land of Sky on the Consolidated Plan.<br>● Sasha Vrtunski presented on the results of the 2016 Affordable Housing Bond, including impact testimonials from actual residents of housing built using bond-funded assistance before Nikki Reid returned to discuss planning for implementation on the bond in the future.<br>● Iris Flovin of Thrive Asheville spoke about the current working group for the Centralized Waitlist.<br>● Chair Barnett commented on the importance of developing buy-in from developers in using the Waitlist, and the value AHAC members could provide to that and other initiatives coming out of the Affordable Housing Plan. |
| **Public Comment** | No public comment |
| **Adjournment** | Adjourned at approximately 11:59 a.m. |